

## COURT DECIDES COMMISSION WAS WITHIN RIGHTS

### Order Reducing Missouri River Rates was Proper, Decide Supreme Judges

Washington, May 31.—By a decision of four to three, the supreme court of the United States today decided that the interstate commerce commission had not exceeded its power in ordering the reduction of freight rates in the so-called Missouri river rate cases and the Denver rate case. These orders were held to be valid.

The Missouri river rate cases were based on an order of the commission reducing the freight rates between the Mississippi river and the Missouri river as a part of the through rate on through shipments originating in the seaboard territory. The Denver rate cases were based on an order reducing the rates on through freight from Chicago and from St. Louis to Denver.

### SPRINGFIELD GRADUATES 86

Springfield, Mo., May 31.—Eighty-six seniors of the Springfield High School were graduated tonight. The Landers Theater, where the exercises were held, was completely filled. A number of orations of unusually high merit was given by the students. Judge Argus Cox of the Springfield Court of Appeals, addressed the graduates and later gave the diplomas.

### MATTRESS FACTORY IS BURNED

Greenville, Tex., May 31.—The Greenville Mattress Factory, Abbe Lowenstein Iron and Metal works and several barns were destroyed by fire this afternoon. At least a dozen residences were ignited, but the flames were extinguished. Loss about \$10,000.

### CUSTER'S WIDOW TO UNVEIL MONUMENT

New York, May 31.—Mrs. Elizabeth B. Custer, widow of General Custer, the famous Indian fighter, will leave town tonight for Monroe, Mich., the birthplace of her husband, where a monument in his memory will be unveiled by her next Saturday. President Taft will attend the ceremony and will make an address, as will Senator William Alder Smith and General David McK. Gregg.

### STRAWBERRY SHIPMENTS

Sixteen car loads of strawberries were shipped by the Ozark Association, Monday, thirteen on Tuesday and ten Wednesday. Tuesday night the Association had shipped a total of fifty-three cars, of which thirteen were from Monett. The price is \$2.25 per crate on track.

### WOMAN DIES AT AGE OF 103 YEARS

Hutchinson, Kan., May 31.—Mrs. Unity Pierce, 103 years of age, was buried here today. She was born in Virginia on December 6, 1806. Until three weeks ago, Mrs. Pierce walked a mile every day for exercise.

### "JIM CROW" CASE IS DISMISSED

Washington, May 31.—An attempt to have the supreme court of the United States pass on the authority of common carriers engaged in interstate commerce to make "Jim Crow" regulations met with failure today, when the court dismissed the so-called Chiles appeal from its docket.

If there is a speed limit for automobiles within the city, it is being badly cracked every day. Some time soon there will be a death or serious injury, then there will be an awakening on the part of the drivers of the machines. The farmers also are of the opinion that they have some rights to the country roads that should be respected.

Y. M. C. A. social Friday evening everybody invited. The Home Mission Society will serve.

## GIVING LIFE TO THE VINE

Roots Must Have Sustenance, and So Should Be Planted at Some Distance from Tree.

When vines are set to run up old living trees it is often a difficult matter to get them to thrive, for the reason that there is but little soil near the trees, and what there is the roots of the trees demand. It is an old plan, yet new to many, to select vines with long tops, and then to plant them at some distance from the trunk of the tree, burying the shoots of the vine underground until they reach the trunk of the tree. In this way the roots of the plants are far enough away from the tree and more soil is available for them; and as the shoots are carried underground to the tree they are out of harm's way. When the vines are of a nature that root readily from the shoots, the buried portions soon take root, which is all in favor of the well doing of the vines. The several ampelopsis, honeysuckles, clematis and trumpet vines, all make root from such buried shoots, so that the plan is a good one in every way.

When trees are dead the vines can be planted close to their trunks, as there is then no competition for the food in the soil.—Florists' Exchange.

## PRAISE FOR OPEN FOOTBALL

Consul in Australia Explains How Injuries to Players Have Been Eliminated from the Game.

Consul Baker of Hobart says that Australian football, while not dangerous, is of great athletic benefit, and also "of very considerable interest to spectators." The consul says that the Columbia Park Boys' club of San Francisco, including 40 boys of good athletic build, has completed its tour of the Australian states and played about forty games of football with Australian teams without a single accident.

The Australian game requires a larger field than the game as played in the United States calls for, and the ground must be oval in shape and at least 180 yards from goal-post to goal-post. The players at the start are placed along the edges down to the center of the field.

The chief science of the game is to keep the play open. It is not allowed to trip a man nor to put the arms around the neck nor in any way to endanger his person. The ball can be taken away from a man only by knocking it from his hand. A detailed account of the game is on file at the bureau of manufactures. As many as 49,000 people go to see one of these matches in Melbourne.

## QUEENS WHO SMOKE.

According to a Paris journal, the new queen of the Belgians is a lover of the Egyptian cigarette. The queen mother of Spain used to urge the ambassadors to smoke. In her presence when regent of the kingdom, her majesty being a good smoker herself. On the other hand, the late Queen Victoria had a great objection to tobacco.

The German empress tolerates smoke, for her lord is a great smoker—cigarettes, cigars and even the old china bowl pipe. Queen Marguerite in the time of King Humbert used often to set the example among the palace guests. Perhaps there is no country where ladies of high degree smoke so generally as they do in Russia. The empress, unlike her mother-in-law, has forbidden ladies in her presence to indulge in nicotine.

## SHE WOULDN'T TALK.

They do odd things in Germany now and then. At Hamburg a few days ago a young girl was arrested on the street because she wouldn't tell a policeman what she had in a bundle. At the station house she also refused to talk and when brought into court the judge said she was obstinate and sent her to jail for five days. Then it was found out that she had been deaf and dumb since her birth, but she had to serve out her sentence just the same.

## THE LIMIT.

"Scribbles has vowed vengeance on me; says he's going to put me in a book."

"Good heavens! Is he going to paint you as a monster?"

"No; worse than that. He's going to call me Harold and make me the hero of a best seller."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

## THE MONTH OF ROSES

June has been appropriately styled the "month of roses." Ovid, in his "Fasti," makes Juno claim the honor of giving a name to this month, but there had been ample time before his day for an obscurity to invest the origin of the term, and he lived before it was the custom to investigate such matters critically.

Standing as the fourth month in the Roman calendar, it was in reality dedicated "a Junioribus"—that is, to the junior or inferior branch of the original Legislature of Rome, as May was "a Majoribus," or to the superior branch. Romulus assigned to this month a complement of thirty days, though in the old Latin or Alban calendar it consisted of twenty-six only. Numa deprived it of one day, which was restored by Julius Caesar; since which time it has remained undisturbed.

June was the month which the Romans considered the most propitious season of the year for contracting matrimonial engagements, especially if the day chosen were that of the full moon or the conjunction of the sun and moon. The month of May was especially to be avoided, as under the influence of spirits adverse to happy households.

All these pagan superstitions were retained in the Middle Ages, with many others which belonged more particularly to the spirit of Christianity. Even in our own time June is the popular month for weddings among all classes, and the majority of them take place as near the first of June as possible.—Republic.

## TO BUILD CHURCH AT MORRISVILLE COLLEGE

Architects Reed & Heckenlively have completed the plans and specifications for a new \$10,000 Methodist church, South, the edifice to be constructed of either concrete blocks or brick on the college campus at Morrisville. It is expected that the plans and specifications for the building will be in the hands of the contractors in a short time. The building will be two stories in height, with an auditorium above the church room, Sunday school rooms at each side and a basement equipped for a kitchen, dining room and Sunday school room. The building will be modern in every way.—Springfield Republican.

## LILLIS MAY LEAVE KAW CITY

Kansas City, Mo., June 1.—It is probable Jere S. Lillis, president of the Western Exchange Bank, who was attacked by John P. Cudahy while calling at the latter's home, will not return to Kansas City to live.

He is now in New York, accompanied by his two sisters. They expect to sail for Europe in a few days.

The trip was delayed while Mr. Lillis was arranging his business in Kansas City by correspondence.

In banking circles the resignation of Mr. Lillis as president of the Western Exchange Bank is expected as soon as it can be arranged.

## LICENSED TO WED

William E. Mulkey	Monett
Marie C. Cameron	Monett
Oscar Roller	Monett
Nellie Bowman	Monett
Alonzo M. Campbell	Purdy
Mabel Smith	Purdy

Hon. Jas. A. Reed will within a few weeks make a speech formally announcing himself as a candidate for the United States Senate. Reed has recently announced that he is in favor of Joseph W. Folk as a presidential candidate.

An aeroplane meet is being talked of in Springfield to take place during the month of June. The cost of the meet is estimated at \$10,000 and the members of the Country Club and the business men of the city are looking the matter up. The dates now open are June 11 and 12.

## FEDERAL JUDGE PROHIBITS PROPOSED RATE INCREASE

Injunction Is Granted on a Petition Filed By Assistant U. S. Attorney General. Alleging Advances were in Violation of Anti-Trust Regulations

Hannibal, Mo., May 31.—Twenty-five western railroads were temporarily retained tonight by United States District Judge David P. Dyer from enforcing or making a general advance in interstate freight rates. The injunction was granted on a petition filed by the government on the allegations that the advances in rates were arrived at and in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

The petition was filed in the United States circuit court at St. Louis this afternoon and was brought here to be presented to Judge Dyer, who is holding a session of the United States circuit court.

It states that unless such a restraining order be granted, the advance will become effective at midnight tonight, to the grave harm and injury of the people of the United States. The petition upon which the injunction was issued was presented to Judge Dyer by Edwin P. Grosvenor, of Washington, special assistant to the attorney general and Frederick N. Judson, of St. Louis, acting as special counsel. It was signed by George W. Wickerham, attorney general; William S. Kenyon, assistant to the attorney general, and Charles A. Houts, United States district attorney.

## EIGHT CARS THROUGH TRESTLE INTO CREEK

A broken flang on a car-wheel of a banana train on the Frisco caused eight cars loaded with fruit and merchandise to plunge through a bridge at Pine Creek near Cabool early yesterday morning. The train was No. 1,228 and was traveling about twelve miles an hour when the derailment occurred.

The car immediately back of the engine jumped the track just as the locomotive had crossed a long trestle over the creek. Eight cars following the one derailed crashed through the trestle and fell a twisted mass of wreckage into the bed of the stream about twenty feet below. No one was injured.

The line was blocked for about fifteen hours. Material from Thayer was brought to the scene for the rebuilding of the bridge, which is about 175 feet in length.—Springfield Republican.

## BAPTIST COLLEGE IS BURNED

Bolivar, Mo., June 1.—The Southwest Baptist College burned here today, the cause of the fire being unknown. Part of the furniture was saved, but the building is a complete wreck. The property was valued at \$35,000, and the loss will be over \$20,000.

The college was established in 1897 and has been a school of considerable influence from the beginning.

A United States Marshal came down from Springfield Saturday night and placed Henry Scroggins east of town and Houston Banks of Ash township under arrest for refusing to answer the questions asked them by the census enumerators. They were taken to Springfield and gave bond. So far as we are informed these are the only arrests made in Barry county for refusal to answer the enumerators' questions. The law is very strict in regard to a correct census report. No question was asked by an enumerator to justify any citizen in refusing to answer if properly understood. The questions were simple and for statistical purposes only.—Cassville Republican.

## WAY CREAM TESTS VARY

Variation in tests has caused much dissatisfaction in the selling of cream. When the cream is from the same cows, which have been fed the same ration and milked by the same man, and when the same separator is used, the farmer naturally thinks the per cent of fat in the cream should remain the same.

Errors are often made in making tests, especially in taking the sample, but variations constantly occur that are due to other causes. The most common causes of these variations, as pointed out in a circular, No. 37, by Prof. C. H. Eckles, of the Missouri Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbia, Mo., are as follows:

1. Variations in the speed of the separator.
2. Variation in temperature of milk separated.
3. Rate the milk flows into the machine.
4. Amount of water or skim milk used in flushing out the bowl.
5. Change in the richness of the milk separated.
6. Adjustment of the cream screw.

Change in the speed of the separator is the most common cause of variation. The greater the speed of the separator, the smaller the amount of cream and the higher the per cent of fat.

Again, the temperature of the milk separated varies on the farm from day to day. If cream tests 30 per cent when the milk is separated at 90 degrees, it may test as high as 40 per cent when separated at 70 degrees. Under average conditions on the farm, however, the variation in fat due to change of temperature will not amount to more than 3 or 4 per cent.

A third cause of variation is found in the rate at which the milk flows into the machine. If less than the regular quantity flows into the bowl, the tendency is to increase the per cent of fat in the cream.

The richness of the milk separated affects the richness but not the quantity of cream. The richness of a cow's milk depends on inheritance and can not be changed permanently by feed.

## THROWN BY MOVING TRAIN

Wednesday afternoon a man, giving his name as H. M. Ham-mack, of Pembroke, Ky., attempted to board a south bound freight near the cattle pens, and was thrown to the ground sustaining severe injuries about the head and body. Those who saw the accident say that he made two attempts to catch hold of a car. The first time he failed but the second time he caught hold but the train was going at such speed that he could not climb aboard. Dr. Hawkins dressed his wounds.

## MARRIED AT PURDY

Miss Blanche Carlin and Mr. Jim Willis were married at Purdy April 20, Rev. Henderson officiating.

The marriage was kept secret until this week when Mrs. Willis disclosed the fact of her marriage.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of W. S. Carlin, one of the leading merchants of Purdy. Her husband is a highly respected young man. The young couple will make their home in Aurora.

"John, John," whispered Mrs. Gidgley, nudging her husband.

"What is it?" he sleepily asked.

"There's a burglar in the house."

"What do you want me to do. Get up?"

"No, but if you find in the morning that somebody has gone through your pockets, don't blame me."

The man who sits down and waits for what he deserves to come to him will never deserve it, not to speak of getting it.—New York Press.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Horn are visiting Mr. Horn's sister in Illinois.

D. H. Kemp, and son Hardy, went to Purdy Wednesday for a short visit.

Miss Kate Banks, of Springfield, visited Miss Lizzie McGrath this week.

Mrs. J. F. Mulrenin, of Fayetteville, Ark., is in the city on business.

Miss Blanche Messer, of Cassville, is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. R. L. Baum and daughter Fay have returned from a week's visit in Joplin.

Mrs. C. T. Dusenbury and Miss Erma are visiting relatives in Illinois.

R. T. Keithley, Edgar Overton, L. G. Smith and Mr. Scherubel were fishing at Shoal Creek Wednesday.

Mrs. O. Barker and Mrs. J. K. Northcutt went to Purdy Tuesday evening to visit relatives.

Mrs. Brashear and Mrs. Grantham, of Springfield, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Musser.

Mrs. J. W. Shuppert went to Waldon, Ark., Sunday to visit relatives. Mr. Shuppert will also visit there this week.

Frank A. Wightman filed, Tuesday, his declaration as a candidate for the office of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner, with the secretary of State.

Robert and Junior Hawkins left Tuesday for Tulsa, Ok., to visit their uncle, O. Scott Evans. Mr. Evans is assistant superintendent of the Midland Valley railroad.

Peddy & Mathews are moving their stock of shoes back to their old quarters and are now better prepared to look after their customers than before the fire.

Mrs. Roy Beatty will entertain the Bridge Club Thursday afternoon.

Dr. E. L. Blankenship is in the city making arrangements for the opening of his new dental parlors in the short building. He expects to be ready for business within two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Short went to Springfield where Mrs. Short will remain for a few days for medical treatment, but Mr. Short returned Tuesday night.

H. W. Fly is making extensive improvements on his Fifth street property. His cottage is being transformed into a modern residence of the bungalow type.

The committee selected by the Mayor to investigate the paving proposition expect to go to Springfield, Friday, to inspect the paving used by that city.

Dr. V. Martin, who had been visiting in the city, left Wednesday night for Tulsa, Ok., to attend a dental convention.

Mrs. W. H. Morris and Miss Anna are expected home this week from a visit with Mrs. Hoyt White at Tulsa, Ok.

Rev. J. R. Strong, H. I. Bradford and Harry Brown returned Wednesday night from a fishing trip to Spring River.

Mrs. C. L. Bone went to Webb City Thursday to visit for a week with her mother. She will then go to Weller, Okla., where Mr. Bone is employed as operator.

Members of the G. L. A. visited their president, Mrs. J. W. Ruggles on Tuesday evening and presented her with a hand-painted plate. They served a light lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Williams expect to move in a short time to Webb City, where Mr. Williams will open a garage.

The Times job department is prepared to print imitation typewriter letters and circulars. Candidates are ordering in large quantities.

Some one put a charge of dynamite under the Purcell jail Wednesday night and blew it to pieces. No one was in the jail at the time. It had only been built a few months.

Monett should have a good safe and sane Fourth of July celebration this year. A picnic in one of the near by groves would be just the thing. The time is short to make arrangements.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church held a poverty social at the home of Chas. Waite on Wednesday evening. There was a large crowd and all had an enjoyable time.

The attention of our readers is called to the article in today's issue entitled "The Story of Pittsburg's Rapid Growth." A number of our citizens are interested in town lots.

Mrs. Phillip Tate will leave Saturday for Las Animas, Colo., to visit her husband, who has been there the past ten months for his health. Mr. Tate will leave in a short time for a place farther west.

The rummage sale being held by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church will continue until 9 o'clock every evening in order to give those working in the berry fields a chance to buy. The sale is held in the Peirce building east of Attaway hotel.